

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 175

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Rob Long on his  
induction into the Tennessee Golf Hall of Fame.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are pleased to specially honor and commend those successful athletes who, through their skill and composure under pressure, have brought honor to this State; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable athlete is Rob Long, a 2023 inductee into the Tennessee Golf Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Rob Long is a winner of ten Tennessee Golf Association state titles overall: two Tennessee State Open championships (1987, 2003), three Tennessee Mid-Amateurs (1988, 1989, 1991), three Tennessee Four-Balls (1996, 1997, 2007), the 1987 Tennessee Match Play, and the 2002 Tennessee Two-Man Scramble; and

WHEREAS, on the national level, Mr. Long has made fifteen appearances in United States Golf Association championships, including four United States Amateur tournaments, six U.S. Public Links, three U.S. Mid-Amateurs, one U.S. Senior Open, and one State Team Championship; and

WHEREAS, in 1999, he played in the U.S. Amateur at Pebble Beach, which was won by fellow Tennessee Golf Hall of Fame inductee David Gossett, and opened match play with a win over Pro Golf Association (PGA) Tour player Charley Hoffman before suffering a close 1-up defeat to another PGA Tour player, Hunter Haas; and

WHEREAS, a Clarksville native and one of the winningest amateur golfers in Tennessee history, Rob Long was an All-Ohio Valley Conference standout at Austin Peay State University in the 1970s before turning professional in 1980; he regained his amateur status five years later; and

WHEREAS, on March 25, 2023, Rob Long will become only the fifty-fourth person to be inducted into the prestigious Tennessee Golf Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, his many achievements aside, Mr. Long is most appreciative of the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Ruth Ann, and their son, Robbie; and

WHEREAS, one of the finest golfers and most outstanding citizens the Volunteer State has ever produced, Rob Long exemplifies the unquestionable character and stalwart determination that are characteristic of a true Tennessean, and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Rob Long upon his induction into the Tennessee Golf Hall of Fame and wish him every success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.